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Mr Hazledine had before him this morning at the Magistracy fourteen men who were charged with gambling at 145 Second Street. Inspector Dymond said that gambling had been going on in the house for some time. The first and second defendants were fined \$50 or two months' each for keeping the gambling house, and the remainder were fined \$3 each or seven days.

A report was made to the police yesterday that a gold ring and a jacket had been taken from No. 20 Nathan Road, Kowloon. Leno-Sergeant Willis made inquiries, and on making a search of the rear of No. 18 Nathan Road he found two pawn tickets relating to the missing property. A Chinese was arrested later, and the ring was recovered from a pawnshop. A reward was offered by Mr. Milbourne when the man who was arrested was charged at the Magistracy to-day.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

THE following particulars of letting by tender of certain granite quarries in the New Territories are published. Sealed Tenders, which should be clearly marked "TENDERS FOR QUARRIES," will be received at the COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE until Noon of MONDAY, the 10th March, 1913.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender. Particulars and conditions of the letting by tender by order of His Excellency the Governor of the following lots of QUARRIES in the New Territories, for the purpose of Quarrying Granite for a period extending from the 15th March, 1913, to 30th June, 1914, but Government is prepared to consider tenders for a less period if desired.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

Quarry Lot No.	Locality	Approximate Contents in Acres
1 to 5	Ngau Tau Kok, New Territories	19.05
1 to 30	Cha Kwo Liang, New Territories	24.56
1 to 25	Lyemau, "	26.43
		310

NOTICE.

THE under-named Firm of TAILORS, DRAPERS and OUTFITTERS will commence business from 27th September at their new establishment next to the P. & O. Co's premises.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Offices of Messrs F. HOWELL & F. C. MOW FUNG, carrying on business as General Merchants and Commission Agents under the name of MOW FUNG CO. have this day been REMOVED to the First Floor of No. 104, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, (above the Robinson Piano Co.)

MOW FUNG & CO.
Hongkong, March 3, 1913.

THE PROPERTY INSURANCE CO., LIMITED, OF LONDON.

FIRE & MARINE.

THE Offices of the above Company have this day been REMOVED to the First Floor of No. 104, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

MOW FUNG & CO.,
General Agents.
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NOTICE.

MESSRS GANDE, PRICE & Co., Ltd. will REMOVE from their premises 12, Queen's Road Central to No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (lately occupied by the French Store) on 1st March next.

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Latin America: Its Rise and Progress, F. Garcia-Calderon.

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The 'Novik', Lieut. A. E. Steer.

Baron Balkade, J. L. Outhbertson.

Lost in the Arctic (Alabama Expedition 1894-1913) Miksaen.

Mines and their Story, Mannix.

Down the Mackenzie and Up the Yukon, E. Stewart.

Ogilvie's Concise Dictionary, A. New Edition up-to-date.

The Everyman Encyclopedia, Edited by A. Boyle. Vol. I. Cloth.

Ancient Egyptian Legends, M. A. Murray.

The Truth of Christianity, Lieut. Col. W. H. Turkin.

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Essays in Appreciation, Douglas Portraits and Speculations, Arthur Ransome.

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The Oxford Reformers (Collet, Erasmus & More), Seebohm.

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Wireless Telegraphy, Enkine.

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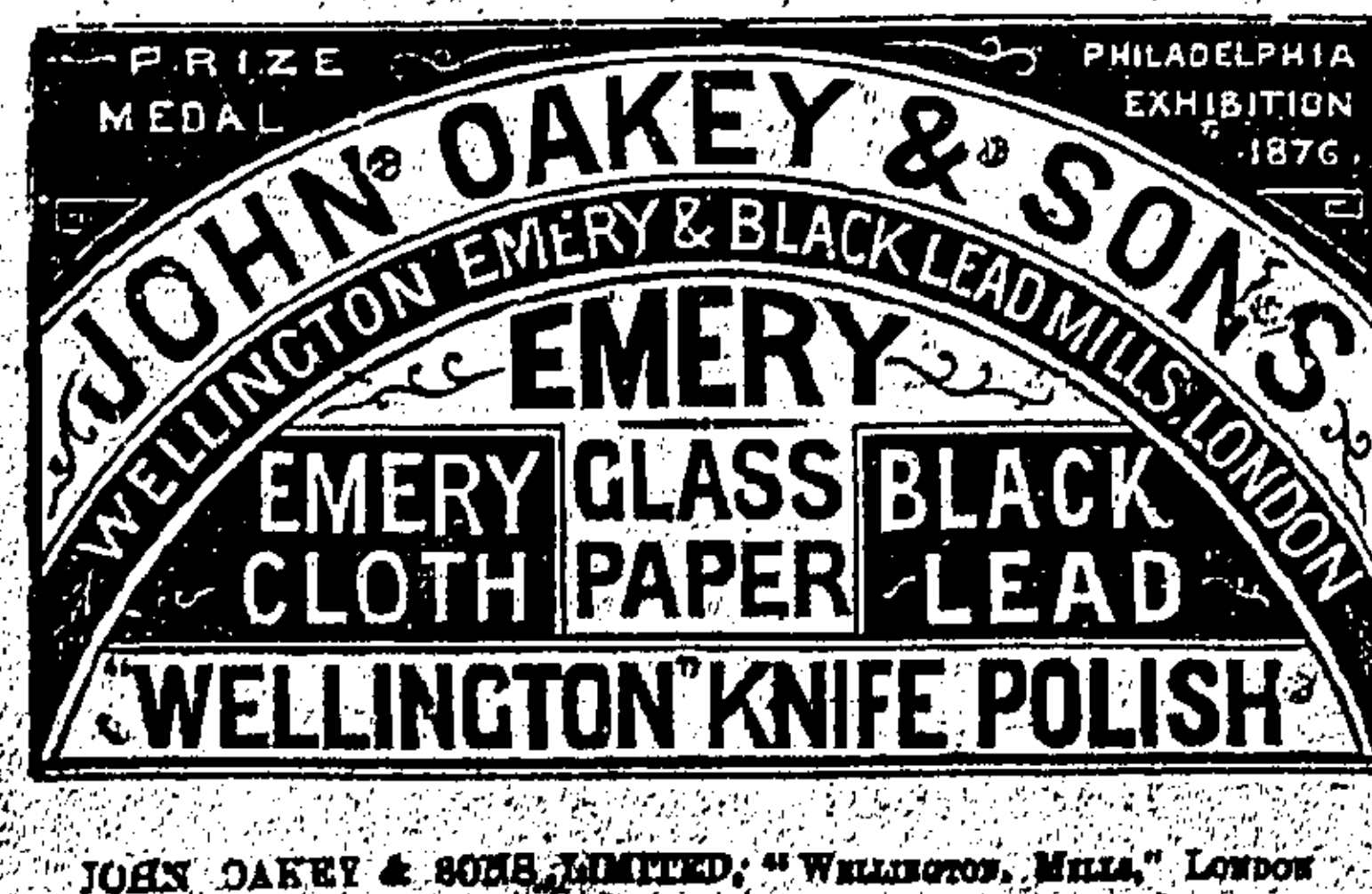


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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the Office of the Under-
secretary at 12 o'clock (Noon), on WEDNES-
DAY, the 12th March.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 5th to the
12th proximo, both days inclusive.JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, February 25, 1913.THE HONGKONG ROPE
MANUFACTURING COMPANY,
LIMITED.THE 25th ORDINARY ANNUAL
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
in the above COMPANY will be held at
the COMPANY'S OFFICE, St. George's
Building, 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on
SATURDAY, the 15th March, 1913, at
11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a
Statement of Accounts and the Report of
the General Managers, for the year ending
31st December, 1912, and electing a Con-
sulting Committee and Auditors.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from MONDAY,
the 10th, to SATURDAY, the 15th March,
1913, both days inclusive.SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 4, 1913.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
LIMITED.THE FORTY-FOURTH MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS in the Com-
pany will be held at the Company's Office,
No. 9, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on
THURSDAY, the 20th March, 1913, at
1 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of re-
ceiving a Statement of Accounts and the
Report of the Directors for the year ending
31st December, 1912.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 7th to
20th March both days inclusive.By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. PEMBERTON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 28, 1913.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Share-
holders of the above Company will be held
at the Office of the General Agents,
Paddar's Street, on TUESDAY, the 25th
March, at Noon, for the purpose of re-
ceiving the Report and Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1912.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 12th to
25th March both days inclusive.By Order of the Board of Directors,
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, March 6, 1913.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO.,
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NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Share-
holders of the above Company will be held
at the Office of the General Agents,
Paddar's Street, on TUESDAY, the 25th
March, at Noon, for the purpose of re-
ceiving the Report and Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
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pany will be CLOSED from the 12th to
25th March both days inclusive.By Order of the Board of Directors,
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, March 6, 1913.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEET-
ING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be
held in the Office of the Company, 2,
Queen's Buildings, Connaught Road, Hong-
kong, on MONDAY, the 17th March, 1913,
at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of re-
ceiving the Report and Statement of
Accounts to the 31st Decem-
ber, 1912.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 10th to
the 17th March, both days inclusive.By Order of the Board of Directors,
GEO. A. CALDWELL,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, March 5, 1913.

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SEVENTH SET OF "THE HOME UNIVERSITY
LIBRARY."Messrs Williams and Norgate promise a
very attractive set of ten new volumes for the
seventh issue of "The Home University
Library," which was to take place on
February 10. Mr. Herbert Fisher,
who has recently become Vice-Chan-
cellor of Sheffield University, writes on
"Napoleon," a subject of which he is one
of the first masters. The volume presents
a vivid portrait of "the greatest conqueror
of modern times," and an
important historical estimate of the period.
Some maxims of Napoleon, a Genealogy of
the Bonaparte family, and the Bibliography
which is a valuable feature of each volume
in the Library, are included.Another addition to the Historical
section is "The Navy and Sea Power" by
the well-known naval writer, Mr. David
Tamm. Professor Estlin Carpenter, of
Oxford, contributes a review of the field of
"Comparative Religion," the story and
study of how "one religion builds upon
another."The Binyon Dialect, by Mr. E.
Binyon, is a notable work on the history of
the Binyon Dialect, from the inside of
British newspaper organization as it exists
to-day. Every department of press work
is dealt with, and Mr. Binyon illustrates
his points with some good stories from
personal experience.In the Science section, Professor R.
M. F. R. S., gives a comprehensive
view of the vast scope of present-day
"Chemistry," and Professor Benjamin
Moore, of Liverpool, discusses "The
Origin and Nature of Life" in the light of
the most recent researches. His notes on the
periodic table of elements, and the history of
the periodic table, are of great interest. Sir
Frederick Wedmore's "Painters and Paint-
ing" is mainly concerned with the French and British
schools of the 18th and 19th centuries.
Illustration is usually performed in
shilling volumes, but the sixteen famous pic-
tures also mainly modern, are here excel-
lently reproduced in half tone.In "Dr. Johnson and His Circle,"
Mr. John Bailey, M.A., treats the great
lexicographer as "the accepted and master
of his time," and discusses his influence
on the English language. The book is a
valuable contribution to the history of the
English language, and is a most interest-
ing study of the life and work of a great
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men received good wages. Conciliation
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sponsible for this. After the great strikes
of 1880 he was returned as a Labour
member for the Legislative Assembly of
New South Wales. From that day—July
14, 1891—he has been continuously in
active politics.In August 1894 Mr. (now Sir George)
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giving details of some of the wheels, the
construction of which renders them par-
ticularly suitable for use in hot climates.
There is also a chapter on the latest
developments in self-starters. Another
article of immense interest deals with
Great Britain's international motor busi-

ROMANCE OF POLITICS.

Pit Lad Who Became Leader of a Party.

Mr. Joseph Cook, who has been elected
to succeed Mr. Deakin as leader of the
Liberal Party in the Federal Parliament
of Australia, is the subject of an in-
teresting biography in The Times.Mr. Cook was born in Staffordshire
of humble parents, says the writer, and
was nine years of age when his father
died. Eight young children were left
to fight their way in the world. The
future Federal leader found employ-
ment in a coal mine at six shillings
a week. He grew to manhood in the
colliery, and about 1885 he emigrated
to New South Wales, when his brothers
and sisters had been successfully launched
in life.Again he descended the pit—this time
at Lithgow, near Newcastle. Possessing
great confidence and initiative, he
schemed to improve his position. Clerical
work attracted him, and shorthand
appeared to be the shortest cut to it. Be-
tween skips down in the drives he studied
"Pitman's Manual," and with a piece
of chalk taught himself how to make the
signs on the black wall.Having natural manual skill and con-
siderable mental attainments, he rapidly
acquired proficiency and obtained a cer-
tificate for a speed of 160 words. But
stenography was only a means to an end.
He had an inclination to enter the minis-
try of the Methodist Church; in fact, he
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Lot 4.	100 ft. by 100 ft.	1.00	1,000
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LADY ABBY.

QUICKLY MARRIED TO A YOUNG MAN OF 23,
Florence Lady Abby, the widow of the
late Sir William Abby, was married on
January 7 to Mr Maurice Grant, a young
man about 23 years of age, who has been
staying for some time at the Berkeley
Hotel, Piccadilly.

The ceremony, which took place at Holy
Trinity Church, Marylebone, was per-
formed by the rector, the Rev. Ernest M.
Sharpe, and was fully choral.

THE PRESS.

In view of the painful scene which took
place when the bride was four years ago
married to Sir William Abby at St. Pan-
cras Registrar's Office, an attempt was made
to keep the place of the ceremony secret
with the result that when the bride left the
Ritz Hotel, where she has been staying,
her carriage and pair was followed by a
large number of persons in motors and
taxicabs.

THE BRIDE'S DRESS.

The bride, who wore a skirt of white satin
chamoise with a coat of white brocade and
a white tulle toque with a large white
crescent feather, was accompanied by her
little niece, Miss Linda Rowbottom, and
Mr. E. Casserley, who gave her away.

THE BRIDEGROOM.

The bridegroom, who is a clean-shaven,
very young-looking man, with black hair,
arrived in a motor-car two minutes before
the bride, with his best man, Mr. C. Rowe.
There were not more than 20 persons in
the church, including eight pressmen.

The friends of the bride present were
her married sister and nephew, Mrs. Row-
bottom and Master Rowbottom, and Miss
Cohen, another sister.

"THE VOICE THAT BREATHED."

The service opened with the hymn "The
Voice that breathed o'er Eden," and both
bride and bridegroom gave the "I will,"
answers loudly and distinctly.

As the newly wedded couple left the
church confetti was showered on them.
They turned to the Ritz Hotel, where
a wedding breakfast was served, and later
Mr and Mrs Maurice Grant left for
Devonshire, where they are to spend a few
days before leaving for the Continent.

Lady Abby, who is 39 years of age, is
described as the daughter of Louis Cohen,
Major Royal Artillery. She first of all
married the late General George Palmer
Robinson, of the Indian Army, and on 16
February, 1909, she was married for the
second time to the late Sir William Abby,
who was then 64 years old.

Sir William's gifts to his bride included
Freehold of a country house at Newdig-
gate, near Dorking.

Furniture of the house.

Cheque for £5,000.

Tiara coronet set with diamonds and
pearls.

Two motor-cars.

Victoria and pair of horses.

Sir William died in August, 1910, and in
his will he stated that he had made
"liberal provision for my wife, Dame
Fanny Abby, by marriage settlement and
gifts in my lifetime."

Lady Abby nearly lost her life in an
aeroplane accident at Brooklands in June,
1910. She paid Mr. Graham White 120
guineas for a flight which lasted under
half a minute and ended in a smash and
very nearly a ducking in the Weybridge
brook.

In the following month she was reported
to have offered £50,000 for the construction
of an aerial passenger ship to travel be-
tween London and Paris. But she denied
the report.

In December, 1911, Lady Abby charged
a young actor with stealing a diamond and
pearl brooch, value £295, from her room
at the Savoy Hotel. At the Sessions the
accused was found not guilty. He brought
an action in the King's Bench Division
against Lady Abby for damages for false
imprisonment, and was awarded a £5,
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THE TROOPING SEASON.

RAITHER RELIEF.

The sanctioned programme of reliefs of
British and Indian units to be carried out
during 1913-14 is published.

Below we quote the British and Indian
infantry changes as those likely to interest
the local garrison.

The item that interests Singapore is
that the 3rd Brahmins go to Nowgong
and the 5th Light Infantry come from
Nowgong to Singapore:—

British Infantry.—2nd Royal Lancas-
ters, Leoburg to Lucknow; 2nd Royal
Fusiliers, Jubbulpore to Fort William;
3rd Royal Fusiliers, Chakratty to Quetta;
2nd Liverpool Regiment, Lahore Canton-
ment to Peshawar; 2nd East Yorkshires,
Fyzabad Cantonment to Rampore; 1st
Lancashire Fusiliers, Multan Cantonment
to Karachi and Hyderabad; 4th Wor-
cestershires, Bareilly Cantonment to
Shwabo; 2nd East Surreys, Shwabo to
Chaubattia; 1st West Riding, Amballa to
Lahore Cantonment; 1st South Lancashire,
Subah and Jubbulpore to Quetta; 2nd
Black Watch, Royal Highlanders, Fort
William to Bareilly; 2nd Royal North
Lancashire, Poona to Bangalore; 2nd
Royal West Kents, Peshawar to Multan;
1st York and Lancasters, Karachi and
Hyderabad to Jubbulpore; 4th High-
land Light Infantry, Lucknow to Amballa; 2nd
Cameron Highlanders, Bangalore to Poona;
1st Royal Irish Rifles, Rampore to Aden;
1st Leinsters, Chabattia to Fyzabad;
three battalions, Colonies to India; two
battalions, India to England a battalion,
England to India; a battalion, India to
Colonies; a battalion, Aden to England.

INDIAN RELIEFS.

Indian Infantry.—3rd Brahmins, Singa-
pore to Nowgong; 5th Light Infantry,
Nowgong to Singapore; 8th Rajputs,
Hongkong to Secundrabad; 10th Jat,
Hyderabad (Sind) to Jhansi; 17th Infantry,
Manipal and Kohima to Lucknow; 18th
Infantry, Aden to Dera Ismail Khan; 19th
Infantry, Chakratty to Quetta; 20th
Infantry, Jhelum to Poona; 29th
Punjabis, Chaman to Hyderabad (Sind);
30th Punjabis, Jhansi to Dera; 31st
Punjabis, Fort Sandeman to Multan; 32nd
Dogras, Nowshera to Malakand; 40th
Pathans, Ahipore to Hongkong; 51st Sikhs,
Peshawar to Chakratty and Dargai; 53rd
Sikhs, Jullundur to Kohat; 56th Punjabis
Rides, Kohat to Semana; 58th Vaughans
Rides, Quetta to Chaman; 59th Scinde
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bis, Malakand to Jhelum; 72nd Punjabis,
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board is to be held on Tuesday.

Miss M. L. Lucas has been appointed a pupil teacher in the Garrison infants' school, Garden Road, on transfer from South Africa.

Mr. W. T. Harbord will conduct the meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union at St. Paul's College on Monday next, the 10th inst, at 5.30 p.m.

The Rev. Mr Reynolds, who has been transferred from South America to the Siam's Mission here, is expected to arrive on Monday by the Yawata Maru.

Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews Chartered Accountants and Auditors, have opened a Branch Office at Hankow, which will be in charge of Mr E. M. Ross.

First Class Staff Sergeant Major E. Paul and W. J. Harris, Army Service Corps, have been promoted Quartermasters with the honorary rank of Lieutenant, will effect on 5th February.

H.M.S. "Sandpiper" and torpedo boat 633 arrived at Hongkong from West River yesterday, and H.M.S. "Hamphire," returned from Mira Bay. The Dutch cruiser "Holland" has sailed from Hongkong.

The following appointment and promotions are gazetted: Regular Forces—Duke of Cornwallis Light Infantry—Supernumary Captain G. F. Phillips created to the establishment— from 18th January. Indian Army—Second Lieutenant to be Lieutenants: J. A. Ferguson, 8th Rajputs; J. E. Shearer, 26th Punjabis.

Messrs Kuhn and Komor's art store in Queens Road in the Hongkong Hotel Building, has been sold, as Mr. Kuhn is retiring from business and will shortly join Mrs. Kuhn, who left last month for Buenos Aires. The whole of the stock has been cleared in the meantime, and this will provide a splendid opportunity for art lovers and collectors to secure specimens at bargain prices.

We are requested to remind the Catholics of Hongkong and the public in general that the general Mission conducted by the Rev. Father P. M. Lynch, a Superior of the Redemptorist Order in the Philippine Islands, commences tomorrow (Sunday) at 9.30 a.m. in the Roman Catholic Cathedral, Saturday evening and during the week—every evening 6 p.m.

Mr. Belisto, the well-known Italian artist, who has been residing in Macao for the last six years, is exhibiting two fine paintings in the Hongkong Hotel, in private suite on the first floor. The paintings, which are fine works depicting Chinese life, will be on view for two three days, from 11 to 1 and 2 to previous to their being sent to Europe to be exhibited in Rome and elsewhere.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Ford Kelcey, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, has been transferred to the Penang office to Hongkong.

Mr. and Mrs. Cousins, of Quarry Bay, have gone to England on six months' leave. Mr. Morris, Chief accountant of the K.C.R., also left on holiday to-day.

Captain E. M. Kemble, R.G.A., obtained the appointment of "Adjutant R.G.A., Ceylon," and leaves for Colombo on an early date to take up his new duties.

The marriage arranged between Mr. Kenneth D. Stewart, of Shanghai, and Mr. Hinton Stewart, of Courtfield Road, London, and Strathgairn, Scotland, a Neill, youngest daughter of Mrs. Kemp Brodribb, of Melbourne, Australia, was taken place on March 1 at St. Peter's, Cranley Gardens.

PARLIAMENTARY CASE.

EIGHTEEN DAY OF HEARING.

The case of B. M. Talati versus M. Talati which has now occupied the attention of the Patents Judge, sitting in Original Jurisdiction, for eight days, continued this morning, the defendant being examined in chief by Mr. Mark Slade. The claim is for the cancellation and delivery up of an agreement relating to opium permits, dated July 22, 1911, in the alternative, damages, £250.

Mr. Eldon Potter, with whom was Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. W. W. Hind, of Messrs Britton and Halk, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. W. W. Slade, K.C., and Mr. E. H. Sharpe, K.C., for whom was Mr. C. G. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, of Messrs Denison, Lockyer, Denison and Harris, represented the defendant.

Plaintiff's case was that an agreement was entered into by which he was to receive 140 permits to import opium into China in settlement of a judgment for Rs. 392, which he obtained against defendant in a Bombay Court, and that shortly afterwards agreement was signed the permit, without any. For the defence it was argued that plaintiff was aware of the withdrawal and that he took the chance of the permit being returned.

RAMBLING NOTES.

The mild weather of the past few days would seem to indicate that this winter—such, as it was, for it was one of the mildest ever known in Hongkong for many a year—is now a thing of the past and the summer, with its heat, the whirling electric fans, light and white clothing, will soon be with us.

Our friends, the Chinese, have decreed that it is so, for, according to their Calendar, the Festival of the "Excited," or "Animated" Insects, has come and gone, with it the winter which has given place to the arrival of spring.

However, there is no use of being too optimistic on the point, for there are few things more changeable than the weather; so the wisest plan is, of course, to "wait and see."

Besides, the "excited" insects will soon let us know of their arrival.

Reading a Home paper the other day, I saw something that interested me and may therefore interest you: It referred to that important individual known as Home as the "City Clerk." Here is what the paper said:—It is one of the conceits of the city clerk that he belongs to the "upper classes"—whatever they may be. The fact that he wears white linen, a black coat, a bowler hat, and a crease down the middle of his trousers muddles his whole mental vision, and gives a distinct scent to his outlook on life. He holds aloof from the working classes, and has no share in their advancing property or in their solid social and political power. He despises them as low people. He sneers at them as "the great unwashed." He allies himself, in imagination, with the capitalists (though he works on a starvation wage at smogged labour rates), and grows sentimental whenever a peer sells a piece of his old estate, or whenever there is a political attack upon the privileges of the very rich. Under his bowler hat (cock-lined, 4s. 6d.) he is a snob of the first water.

This is pretty severe, for the genuine city clerk is infinite in variety and many of them are quite as humble as they ought to be.

Besides, perhaps he knows that if he does not take himself seriously nobody else is likely to.

Now we know why Mrs. Gaunt has come to China, for it was all in the "China Mail" on Friday evening. This much discussed lady has actually arrived in Peking and probably by now has begun her remarkable journey.

In the article referred to we learn a good deal about the lady's brothers and other relatives and a little about the lady herself. She is, it seems, the author of several works—"popular," of course—one of which is entitled "Alone in West Africa"; and as I note that she intended "working her way northward" through the Province of Szechuen, doubtless she'll soon be "Alone in China," for it is the lady's intention, it is now stated, to travel alone.

It is also stated that she has accepted a commission from certain London and American publishers to record her impressions and experiences. So the journey has its "business" side also, and as we shall look forward to Mrs. Gaunt's narrative with interest, for doubtless it will be well worth reading.

I must admit, however, that I am rather disappointed to see no mention whatever in the article referred to of Mrs. Gaunt's curious travelling appurtenances, for surely something more might be said of the medicine chest, the elder down quilt, and the ground sheet.

However, now that Mrs. Gaunt has actually arrived, we shall doubtless hear something of her remarkable adventures and, possibly, of the interesting article mentioned.

I still adhere to my promise that Mrs. Gaunt comes to Hongkong I will humbly solicit an interview with her with reference to her experiences.

RAMBLER.

**WARNING TO MERCHANTS
IN CANTON.**

In the "Government Gazette," Mr. J. W. Jamieson, British Consul-General at Canton, issues the following circular to British merchants in Canton:—"The Republic Board of Foreign Affairs having addressed a letter to His Majesty's Minister at Peking stating that at the present time, when the disengagement of troops is proceeding throughout the Province, there is a risk of bad characters combining with ignorant persons to make secret purchases of munitions of war with the object of disturbing the public peace, the undersigned begs to notify British Subjects that in the purchase of munitions of war by the Province the approval of the Central Government is necessary and that merchants undertaking such contracts should satisfy themselves of the existence of permits from the Ministry of War regulating the transaction."

BEST LINIMENT.

FOR cuts and bruises, there is nothing so good as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It not only relieves the pain almost instantaneously, but is an infallible balsam and restorative, promptly cures the most obstinate skin eruptions, and is the most perfect remedy without any danger of blood poisoning. You cannot afford to be without it in your home. For sale by all Chamberlain's Dispensaries.

COMPANY MEETING.

Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders in the above company was held at the Hongkong Hotel this morning. Dr. J. W. Noble, chairman of the directors, presided, and there were also present Messrs. W. Hutton Potts; J. Scott Harston; and J. W. C. Bonnar, directors; F. Maitland, M. S. Norbottle; J. Walker, A. Weill, J. H. Taggart (manager), Shi Poy-sham, Lai Chan, Fung Tai Sang, and C. Mooney (secretary).

The Chairman said: Gentlemen,—I will with your permission follow the usual custom and take report and accounts as read. There is nothing in the accounts that calls for special mention. The kitchen which was formerly on the fifth floor has been moved down to the first floor and that portion of the building from which it was removed has been converted into living rooms with private bath rooms attached. These are now occupied and have become a revenue producing section of the premises. The lounge is being more appropriated and has in the opinion of your Board fully justified the expenditure necessary for its creation. We find, however, it is too small and arrangements have been completed for extending it to the outside wall of the building. The alteration will require no structural changes and will be easily effected. The popularity of the Grill has far exceeded expectations. Plans are now being prepared for our consideration which, if adopted, will enlarge the present room by adding an additional floor space of 15 x 45 feet. This extra space is much needed and while not costly will be an improvement. Another alteration which will soon be undertaken will take the form of an arched skylight of stained glass to replace the dingy glass skylight now covering the hall leading into the main dining room. This new skylight will be similar in character to the one over the staircase leading from the ground, to the first floor. In the ladies' dining room there will be placed a domed skylight of stained glass which should add greatly to the comfort of the room, as it will afford better ventilation, as well as add to the appearance of the room, at the same time permitting more light to enter than is at present possible. A new launch eighty feet long has been ordered and will be completed in about four months. The new launch will have greater carrying capacity for both passengers and luggage than our old launch which has been inadequate for some years. We have recently purchased a motor launch for light harbour work. This latest acquisition will effect a saving in fuel, as well as facilitate our work on busy days. Since our last meeting there has been a change in the personnel of your Board. Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, who occupied the seat on the Board several years ago, and who is thoroughly conversant with the duties, was invited to take the seat vacant by the resignation of the Hon. Mr. Osborne. Mr. Bonnar's appointment requires your confirmation. Mr. Osborne has retired from the Board at 10, West Hongkong Free England, where he will henceforth make his home. Mr. Osborne's retirement requires more than a mere passing mention. He joined the Board early in 1894, at a time when the Hongkong Hotel was at its lowest ebb. The profit and loss account in the balance sheet dated March 3rd, 1894, showed a debit balance of \$10,370.17. The company was heavily in debt and a second mortgage was about to be placed on the furniture. The shares were then quoted in the market at \$15 each. By dint of perseverance and much strenuous work the new Board of Directors (of whom Mr. Osborne formed one) which came in being at about that time, succeeded in placing the company on a stable footing. As showing the difficulties which had to be faced; I may mention that during a very stormy general meeting held on March 12th 1894, an effort was made to bargain with the Board of Directors; but terms being that, unless they all resigned the accounts would not be passed. Mr. Osborne as a member of the new Board could always be depended upon when hard work had to be done; he never shirked work or neglected duty. The Hongkong Hotel, through Mr. Osborne's retirement, has lost the services of one who gave of his best for the benefit of the company. By his departure you have lost an earnest worker, and the Colon a valued citizen, one who will be missed and whose place will not be readily filled. I am sure you will all join me in wishing him well, long life and happiness, and in this publicly extending to him, for his long years of service and labour, a few words of thanks. Of thanks, I feel most, of us are, usually, too sparing.

Mr. Potts, who has been associated with the company for a great many years, goes home shortly on six months leave of absence and will return to us again in the autumn. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts I will be pleased to answer any question you may wish to ask.

There being no questions, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts. The motion was seconded by Mr. Maitland, who said the shareholders were very pleased with the management and wished to thank the directors for their work. He addressed the Chairman and said respecting Mr. Osborne: Great thanks were due to him for his long service on behalf of the shareholders; his due, which had been as thorough to do his best for the company, and he had carried it out right well.

The motion was unanimously carried.

The appointment of Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar to the seat of the Board, resigned by Mr. Osborne, was submitted to a vote and was carried by a majority of 21 to 1.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

SIX POWERS' LOAN TO CHINA.

"THE TIMES" ON THE SITUATION.

LONDON, March 8.
"The Times," in discussing the "hitch" regarding the Chinese loan, states that "it does not doubt that the understanding may be adjustable, and urges that the proposed control should not be allowed to extend to political objects or involve undue meddling with internal administration. The journal does not believe, also, that Yuan Shih Kai intends using the loan for aggressive purposes, and the slightest indication that it would be used, for example, to assist the Chinese who are still hovering on the eastern border line of Tibet would instantly close British pockets. The journal thinks that until proof is shown to the contrary it is reasonable to assume that China deserves help if asked, and attaches importance to the comparatively tranquil conditions in China during the past twelve months, and the prosperity of trade to Yuan Shih Kai, who has furnished a solid answer to critics by continuing to hold ground in face of the most doleful prophecies.

THE DAVIS CUP.

LONDON, March 8.
A telegram from Sydney states that Wilding, Jones and Doust have been selected to contest the Davis Cup. Brookes will be unable to go. The Association are arranging to play the preliminary matches against the United States in England.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S JUBILEE.

LONDON, March 8.
Queen Alexandra celebrated her jubilee quietly at Marlborough House. The Recorder read the City's address, to which Queen Alexandra made a gracious reply. A number of Royalties paid visits of congratulation.

TURCO-BALKAN WAR.

THE FALL OF JANINA.

LONDON, March 7.
The capture of Janina has great political as well as military significance. It was regarded as impregnable. It gives the Greeks the key to the Epirus and cannot fail to have considerable influence in the ultimate settlement between Greece and Bulgaria.

THE GREEKS JUBILANT.

A telegram from Athens states that the Chamber of Deputies devoted the whole of yesterday to jubilation on the victory at Janina, which is the first fortified town taken by the Allies during the war.

35,000 TURKS SURRENDER.

Telegrams were read from the Crown Prince, stating that the whole of the Turkish garrison at Epirus, numbering 35,000 were included in the surrender.

TE DEUMS SUNG.

The Deputies afterwards walked to the Cathedral, where a Te Deum was sung. Enormous crowds attended the illuminations in the evening.

UNITED STATES FOREIGN POLICY.

"THE IDEAL REPUBLIC"

LONDON, March 7.
Mr. J. J. Bryan, the future Secretary of State for the United States, in response to a request to outline his foreign policy quoted his Indianapolis speech of 1900, in which he pictured the ideal republic standing erect while the empires around were groaning under the burden of armaments. He agreed with Mr. Woodrow Wilson in favouring peace through international arbitration.

THE NEW U.S. PRESIDENT.

LONDON, March 7.
President Woodrow Wilson has accepted the honorary presidency of the American Peace and Arbitration League.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

SYDNEY STRIKE ENDED.

LONDON, March 8.
Reuter's Sydney correspondent telegraphs that the gasworks strike in that city has now been ended.

SUFFRAGETTE SENTENCED.

KEW GARDEN FIRE-RAISER.

LONDON, March 8.
Miss Locke, one of the Suffragettes concerned in setting fire to the pavilion in Kew Gardens, has been sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment in the second division. She was also bound over to be of good behaviour for two years.

THE MIDLAND RAILWAY TROUBLE.

STRIKE AVERTED.

LONDON, March 8.
The Midland Railway states that the position has been changed by Richardson's recent statements, which have made it clear that he had no intention willfully to disobey orders. Consequently the Company has confirmed its offer to reinstate him, and as they recognise that under the present regulations there is a possibility of an employee suffering injustice they have given instructions for a careful consideration and revision of the regulations to meet this point. The Company's reply is regarded as removing all possibility of a strike.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

LONDON, March 8.
The trade returns for February show that there were increases in imports of £4,077,115, and increases in exports of £2,682,414. The former mainly consisted of raw wool, 1½ millions; grain flour, nearly one million; meat, half-a-million; and timber, half-a-million; while raw cotton decreased by £1,374,329. The increases in exports were cotton £845,000; iron and steel manufactures, half-a-million; machinery, £356,000; and wool decreased by £117,617.

THE FRENCH ARMY.

ANIMATED DEBATES.

LONDON, March 7.
The Triennium Military Service Bill was introduced in the French Chamber on Thursday. Members of the "Extreme Left" noisily interrupted the speech of the Minister for War, and a scene of much confusion followed. The President tried for a long time to restore order, but without avail. The Bill was subsequently referred to Committee. The additional provisions are eleven years' service with the active reserve and fourteen years with the territorial reserve. This means a permanent increase of 160,000 on the peace footing of the army.

SUMMARY ACTION.

A message from Paris says that the Army Committee of the Chamber of Deputies, influenced chiefly by the Socialists, M.M. Jaures and Augagneur, disregarded the express wish of the War Minister and their own Chairman that they should first examine the Triennium Bill, and decided to discuss the Bill for the extraordinary credits of 500,000,000 francs.

THE ROMANOFF TERCEN TERNARY.

CELEBRATIONS THROUGHOUT RUSSIA.

LONDON, March 7.
Thursday was the principal day in the Romanoff celebrations at St. Petersburg. Brilliant sunshine favoured the occasion, and the magnificent decorations looked imposing. Troops marched through the streets, there was a great display of flags, and bells were ringing everywhere. Dense crowds assembled and cheered their Majesties as they drove from the Winter Palace towards the Cathedral of Saint Peter and Saint Paul to attend the Te Deum. A Cossack carried the Tsarevitch into the Cathedral. He was able to sit and to stand, but instead of kneeling he stood. After the ceremony artillery salutes were fired. Their Majesties on returning received an ovation, the crowds everywhere singing the National Anthem. Picturesque holiday-makers, many peasants being in their sheepskins, were a feature of the streets. A message from St. Petersburg states that the celebrations of the Tercentenary of the Romanoff family are universal throughout the Empire, and that there is no discord anywhere.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PARLIAMENT PROROGUED.

ONLY A FEW DAYS' REST.

LONDON, March 8.
In the Proclamation speech, which was of the briefest, regrets were expressed that only a nominal rest could be given after the legislative labours. It was necessary, however, to re-summon within a few days to consider the provision for the year, and to renew deliberations of public affairs. The speech mentions that assent has been given to the India Government Act and a number of domestic reforms, from which beneficial results are anticipated.

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.

RESULT OF THE ELECTION.

LONDON, March 7.
The London County Council election has resulted in a majority of Conservatives being returned. The so-called Municipal Reformers' number 67 and the Progressives 51, the former gaining seven seats. The election excited little interest.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CHURCH FEDERATION.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")
Sir.—We are living in an age of organization and confederation. Large commercial enterprises unite together for the sake of controlling trade and amassing wealth. In America they have the Beef Trust, the Oil Trust, Tobacco Trust, Liquor Trust, and many other trusts. On the other hand we see the labouring classes organized into Federations of working men, united guilds, etc. In recent years there has been inaugurated a world-wide movement for church federation. There are Federations of Catholic Societies, Federations of Protestant Churches, Christian Councils, etc. What is the one object of all these organizations? They confederate for the sake of power. With their combined strength they hope to triumph over all opposition. What is the result of these federations in the commercial world? Almost invariably the great mass of common people and the poor are compelled to purchase the necessities of life at an exorbitant price, thus augmenting the already excessive wealth of the rich and increasing the suffering and poverty of the poor. By confederating they obtain control of the markets, prevent competition, fix their own prices, and compel people to pay their prices, or go without the commodities of common consumption? What has always been the result of the confederation of religious organizations? What will be the outcome of the present world-wide movement for church federation? Already they are using their combined numerical strength as a lever by which they demand nations to pass partisan laws and grant special privileges, forcing the minority not only to yield obedience to the majority in matters of conscience, but actually to contribute by taxation to the support of that which the few believe to be wrong. It is in this way that men and women are deprived of their religious liberty. The majority are not always right. The majority of the people in China are idolaters. What Christian man would wish to be compelled to worship idols, or to contribute to their support? A law compelling him to do so, would by him be regarded as most unjust. If the Federation of the Churches in China should gain sufficient numbers and strength, would it not be equally unjust for them to secure the passage of special laws compelling those who do not believe in Christianity to conform to Christian usages and support Christian institutions? Any fair minded person must say that it would be equally unjust.

While it is a recognized principle in the government of all free nations that the majority should rule, yet the minority have certain rights which the majority must respect, else the government ceases to be a free government and becomes a despotism.

We hear much talk in these days about church union. The prayer of Christ that the disciples might be one, is often quoted to show that the churches should unite. Many good people, even among those who are not professed Christians, look upon the church federation movement as a rational plan. "Why," say they, "should there be so many denominations? Why should they not unite?" To all who take this view the writer begs to ask a few questions. Upon what terms did the worshippers of God—Pharisees and Christians—confederate in the days of the apostles? Only on condition that the Pharisees became Christians. When the Jewish leaders held their councils and tried to compel the Christians to stop preaching Christ, what was Peter's answer? "We ought to obey God rather than man." Acts 5: 29.

What was the object of the councils of the early Christian era? Was it not to promote church union? What did they finally decide to be the only means of securing church unity? That the majority must be forced to accede to the opinions of the minority, that schism must be stamped out by force, that heretics must give up their heresy (2) or suffer the consequences. What followed? The "dark ages" when thousands died rather than give up that which they believed to be right. What will be the final outcome of the present world-wide church federation movement? Let Roman history answer.

Yours sincerely,
E. H. WILBUR.
Futian, China, March 5, 1913.

SPORTING.

Cricket.

H.M.S. MINOTAUR v. H.M.S. TAMAR AND FLORA.
This game at the Happy Valley yesterday ended in a win for the combined team by 41 runs. Scores:—

H. M. S. TAMAR AND FLORA.					
Asst. Paymr. Symes, c. Brockholes,	b. Pearson,	26
S. B. S. Paymr. French, c. Brockholes,	b. Hutton,	7
Fleet Surg. O'Leary, c. Hutton, b.	Brockholes,	23
Lieut. Farmer, c. Smedley, b. Hutton,	93
Major Morgan, c. and b. Hutton,	57
Capt. Corbett, R.N., c. Pocock, b.	Hutton,	9
Lieut. Page, b. Hutton,	6
A. B. Boyer, b. Hutton,	2
Lieut. Westmacott, not out,	2
A. B. Cox, b. Hutton,	0
Sig. Scholey, b. Hutton,	0
Extras	0
Total	216

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Lieut. Hutton	71	8
Fleet Paymr. Pearson	63	1
Mr. Brockholes	18	1
Comm. Peel, c. French, b. Morgan,	30	0
Mr. Smedley	25	0

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H.M.S. MINOTAUR v. 88TH COY R.G.A.
These teams played at the Happy Valley yesterday in the first round of the Soldiers' Club Cricket Shield and resulted in a draw in favour of the R.G.A. Berry played a fine innings of 124, giving only two chances during a long stay at the wicket. Scores:

Payne, run out,	10
Sly, b. Arman,	134
Berry, not out,	124
Stanley, b. Langridge,	13
Fuller, b. Langridge,	45
Fielder Smith	3
Josephs	3
Thomas	3
Gulliver	1
Extras	1
Total for 4 wickets	293

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Arman	13	1
Langridge	9	1
Downton	8	0
Fennimore	5	0
White	2	0

H.M.S. MINOTAUR.
Wormald, b. Payne ... 8
Wormald, c. Gulliver, b. Stanley ... 3
Wormald, c. Payne ... 11
Fennimore, b. Payne ... 19
Downton, b. Payne ... 9
Langridge, b. Payne ... 0
Edwards, c. Jones, b. Stanley ... 9
Sherman, not out ... 2
White, b. Berry ... 20
Whyte, not out ... 0
Arman, did not bat ... 0
Extras ... 4
Total for 8 wickets ... 84

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Payne	12	7
Stanley	15	3
Berry	5	4
Jones	2	0

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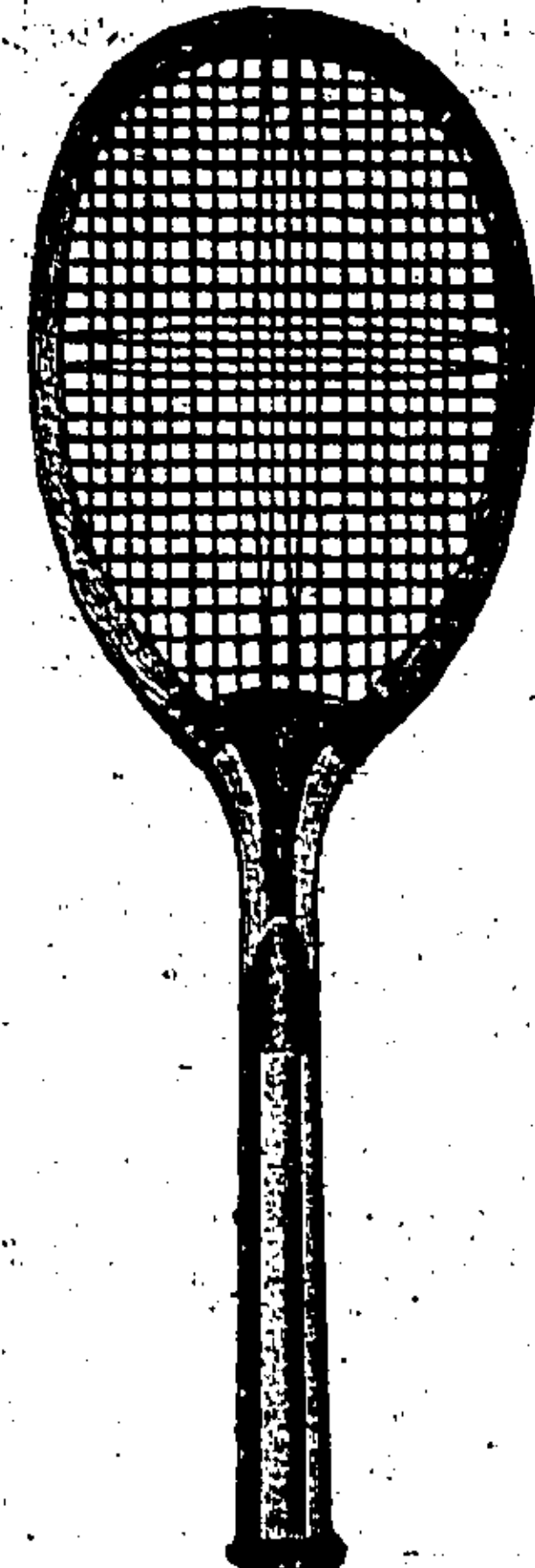
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